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Director's Meeting

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Monday, 7 April 1952

PRESENT: Messrs. Dulles, Wisner, Wolf, Becker, Hedden, Earman

Mr. Dulles:

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a. Stated that some of the Log items were "too chatty" and, in fact, should not be included. He particularly referred to today's Log and noted that some of these items were too much on the "intelligence side." Messrs. Becker and Wisner undertook to look into this matter.

b. Briefly discussed a meeting he had with David Bruce on 6 April and stated that we should hold a briefing for him at an early date.

c. Referred to a cable concerning [REDACTED] and stated that initial dissemination of such information outside of the Agency should be kept to a minimum pending clearance by DD/P. Messrs. Wisner and Becker undertook to pass this along to the appropriate people.

d. Noted a cable concerning Gen. McClure and others going to Europe to look into the matter of MSA Escapee plans and stated he intended to call Gen. Magruder on this. (NOTE: D/DCI later discussed this matter with Gen. Magruder by telephone.)

f. Briefly discussed the NSC action pertaining to Formosa.

Mr. Wisner:

a. Noted that he had sent a memorandum to the appropriate division concerning the second item in the Log of 4-5 April and that a copy of this memorandum was being furnished to D/DCI.

b. Raised the question of changing the name of OPC and after some discussion it was the consensus of those present that (1) OPC be changed to Office of Foreign Programs; (2) in order to retain the name "Office of Policy Coordination" that it be assigned to the group now in OPC who coordinate and perform liaison activities with the PSB; (3) that DD/P have prepared a paper on this matter for DCI's approval. ~~Done.~~

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Mr. Wisner (Cont'd.)

c. Noted that there had been prepared a good paper on Guerrilla activities from start to finish and gave a copy to Mr. Hedden to read. (NOTE: Mr. Hedden undertook to pass this copy along to Mr. Wolf.)

d. Noted that after hearing Col. Johnston's briefing on his recent trip Gen. Balmer had suggested that possibly the Joint Chiefs would be interested in receiving the same briefing. After some discussion wherein Mr. Wisner pointed out that both he and Col. Johnston felt that approval of such a briefing should be given by the Director, Mr. Dulles stated that (1) he would look over Colonel Johnston's outline (which DD/P now has); (2) if the Joint Chiefs would make a request for this briefing, he would be inclined to approve it.

e. Briefly discussed a conversation he had with Howland Sargeant on Saturday concerning State's use of the recent BW piece appearing in the NEW YORK TIMES and that contrary to a statement that the Department had instructed its people to play this down that they were, in fact, making use of this article.

Mr. Becker:

a. Noted he was getting further information on the Karachi Conference.

b. In response to a query, stated that both his and Mr. Wisner's people were following the forthcoming Moscow Conference. In this connection, Mr. Wisner noted that State was also following this Conference, particularly from the viewpoint of any significant indications which might result.

c. Stated that Mr. George Winters, who was the Economic Attache to Moscow when DCI was Ambassador desired to return to Moscow for a few months and that the Director had asked him (Mr. Becker) to speak to Mr. Kennan. Mr. Wisner noted that while he, of course, could not speak for Mr. Kennan, he had talked with him on similar proposals and that Ambassador Kennan had indicated that he would prefer to delay action on any such request until after he had had time to look into the personnel situation at the Embassy. In this connection, Mr. Wisner noted he believed Admiral Stevens would be willing to return to Moscow in some capacity.

Mr. Wolf noted that he and Trubee Davison were to see Secretary Rosenberg concerning our military personnel requirements for 1953 since he had heard that Defense might ask us for reimbursement to the Services for these people. In this connection, he also noted that both Secretary Rosenberg and the Bureau of the Budget were opposed to any reimbursement on our part.

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Mr. Hedden:

a. Briefly discussed the conversation he had with General Chennault concerning Burma and Indochina.

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